



GENERAL POST-OFFICE.

Edinburgh, Aug. 24th, 1784.

PUBLIC notice is hereby given, That, by an act passed the last session of Parliament, "For granting to his Majesty, certain additional rates of postage, for conveyance of letters and packets by the post, within the Kingdom of Great Britain, and for further preventing frauds and abuses in relation to the sending and receiving of letters and packets free from postage," it is, among other things, enacted, That from and after the 31st instant, letters and packets, to and from places, not exceeding one post stage, within Scotland, shall pay, in addition to the present rate of postage, single 1 d. double 2 d. treble 3 d. and the ounce 4 d. and 40 in proportion.

That letters and packets above one post stage, and not exceeding 50 miles, shall pay in addition, single 1 d. and so in proportion.

That letters and packets above 50, and not exceeding 80 miles, shall pay in addition, single 1 d. and so in proportion.

That letters and packets above 80, and not exceeding 150 miles, shall pay in addition, single 1 d. and so in proportion.

That letters and packets above 150 miles, shall pay in addition, single 2 d. and so in proportion.

That letters and packets to or from the General Post-Offices in London, to or from the city of Edinburgh, Dumfries and Cockburnspath, shall pay in addition, single 1 d. and so in proportion.

It is provided, that no letter or packet to or from Glasgow, or the intermediate places by Carlisle, non-passing through London, shall pay a higher rate than if sent through Edinburgh, to or from Glasgow, and that no letter or packet sent to or from Edinburgh, or any intermediate place in England and Scotland, north of London, shall pay an higher rate than 7 d. for a single letter, and so in proportion.

It is further provided, that no letter or packet, together with its contents, shall be taxed at an higher rate than as a treble letter; and every quarter of an ounce above that weight shall be charged as a single letter.

It is likewise enacted, That from and after the end of the last session of Parliament, no letter or packet sent by post, within Great Britain, directed by any member of either House of Parliament, shall be exempted from the duty of postage, unless the whole supercription thereof shall be of the hand-writing of the member, and shall have indorsed thereon, in the same hand-writing, the name of the member, post-town from whence the same is to be sent, and the day, month, and year, when put into the post-office, the day of the month to be in words at length; and unless every such letter and packet shall be put into the General, or other post-office, or into a receiving house on the day of the date put upon such letter or packet: And no letter or packet directed to any such member, shall be exempted from the duty of postage, unless such as shall, during the sitting of Parliament, or within 40 days before, or 40 days after any adjournment, or prorogation thereof, be directed to any such member, at the place where he shall actually be at the time of the delivery thereof, or at his usual place of residence in London, or at the House, or lobby of the House of Parliament, of which he is a member.

It is further enacted, That all persons who, by virtue of their offices, send and receive letters and packets free of postage, shall send and receive them free, in the manner, and under such restrictions, as any member of Parliament.

It is also enacted, That if any person shall forge or counterfeit the hand-writing of any person whatsoever, in the supercription of any letter or packet, in order to avoid the payment of postage, or shall forge, counterfeit, or alter, or procure to be done, the date upon such supercription, or shall write, and send by post, or cause to be done, any letter or packet, the supercription or cover whereof shall be forged or counterfeited, or the date thereon altered, in order to avoid the duty of postage, knowing the same to be forged, counterfeited, or altered, every person so offending shall be deemed guilty of felony, and shall be transported for seven years.

By order of the Postmaster-General,

DAVID ROSS, Sec.

It is recommended to the members of both Houses of Parliament, to write the name of the post-town, and the date in words at length, at the top of the supercription of their letters, that it may be distinct from the direction underneath.

SHERRY WINES.

Just arrived, in the Prince William, McNaughton Ramfay master, from Cadiz.

A Quantity of ZERRY and SHERRY WINES in Butts, to be sold by Charles Cowan, merchant in Leith.

N. B. This vessel will be ready in about three weeks hence to sail for Cadiz, and intends returning home with Wines to Leith. For freight out or home, please apply to Charles Cowan, Not to be repeated.

AT LEITH—FOR LONDON,

THE STAR,

JAMES RITCHIE Master, Now taking in goods in Leith harbour, and will sail on Saturday 11th September.

Has good accommodation for passengers. The Master to be spoke with in the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, or at his house in Leith.

EXCISE OFFICE, EDIN. AUG. 24. 1784.

BY ORDER OF THE HONOURABLE

THE COMMISSIONERS OF EXCISE.

ON Friday the 3d of September next, there will be exposed to sale, by public auction, in the house of Charles White vintner on the shore of Leith, at one o'clock afternoon,

A CUTTER (formerly the Royal George Excise Yacht, and now lying in Leith Roads) of the burden of 155 tons; with all her tackle, furniture, apparel, materials, and two boats, and either with or without twelve 18-pounder carronades.

Also, TWO PIECES of 10 1/2 inch CABLE, the one of 70, and the other of 50 fathoms. To be seen in Mr Hutton's rope-work, at the Saw-mill, Leith.

The above-mentioned cutter, which is a very strong and well built vessel, and remarkably fit for the Guinea, or fruit, or wine trade, and her inventory, which is full and complete, may be seen, with the conditions of sale, at any time during this or next week, by applying to Mr James Hamilton shoremaster of Leith.

FOR St. PETERSBURGH,

THE BETSY AND BROTHERS,

DAVID WISHART Master, NOW lying in Leith Harbour, and will be ready to sail the 28th current. She is a very fine, large, new, and fast sailing vessel, with very elegant accommodation for cabin and stowage passengers.

For freight or passage apply to Peter and Francis Forrester and Company, Leith, who have for sale, St Petersburg Clean Hemp, Twelve Head Flax, Soap Tallow, Russia and Gottenburgh Iron, different sizes, St Petersburg Dales and Battons.

COPARTNERY DISSOLVED,

AND INTIMATION TO DEBTORS.

THE Copartnery of SHAND and MILLAR, woollen-draper and men's mercer, opposite the Luckenbooths, Edinburgh, being lately dissolved, by the death of John Millar one of the partners, it is requested, that such as are indebted to that copartnery, will immediately order payment of their accounts to FRANCIS SHAND, the surviving partner, who is empowered to receive and discharge the same.

The personal creditors of the deceased John Millar, are defused by his executors, immediately to lodge notes of their debts due by him, with FRANCIS SHAND, at his shop, opposite the Luckenbooths.

FRANCIS SHAND returns his warmest acknowledgments to the friends of the shop, and the public for past favour, and respectfully requests a continuance of them, to merit which his best endeavours shall always be exerted. He has on hand at present a neat and fashionable assortment of WOOLLEN DRAPERY and MEN'S MERCERY GOODS, which he is selling on the very lowest terms.

DESERTED

On Sunday evening the 8th instant, from his Majesty's 61st regiment of Foot, quartered at Kinfales,

DONALD MCGREGOR, aged 25 years, 5 feet 7 inches high, fair complexion, brown hair and grey eyes; was born in the parish of Little Dunblair, in the shire of Perth, and by occupation a labourer; he is suspected of having robbed his comrade of upwards of two pounds at the time of his desertion.

GILBERT KENNEDY, aged 24 years, 5 feet 8 inches high, fair complexion, black hair, grey eyes, was born in the parish of Kirkmichael near Maybole, in the shire of Ayr, and by occupation a labourer.—They had on when they deserted, their full regimentals and side arms.—McGregor had served in the late 77th regiment, and Kennedy in the Duke of Buccleugh's Fencibles.—They were both indicted at Edinburgh the middle of August 1783.

Whoever apprehends either of the above deserters, and lodges them in safe custody, in any of his Majesty's goals, shall receive TWO GUINEAS for each, over and above his Majesty's bounty of TWENTY SHILLINGS, by applying to Lieutenant Verner of the said regiment at Edinburgh, the commanding officer at Kinfales, or to Sir William Montgomery, Bart. Dublin.

EXCISE OFFICE, EDINBURGH, AUGUST 20. 1784.

By order of the Hon. Commissioners of Excise.

ON FRIDAY the 27th of August instant, at twelve o'clock noon, there will be exposed to SALE by public auction, at the Excise Warehouse in Leith (pursuant to act of Parliament) The following Quantities of TEA, seized and condemned as forfeited, viz.

2214 Lbs. of fine BLACK TEA, contained in 29 boxes.

377 Lbs. of a coarser quality, contained in sundry packages.

Together with any other parcels that shall have arrived before the day of sale.

The goods, which will be put up in lots, and the conditions of sale, to be seen at the above-mentioned warehouse on the day preceding, and the morning of the day of sale.

Furnished House and Gardens or Beanton

IN EAST-LOTHIAN.

TO be LET and entered to immediately, for one, two, or three years, The HOUSE of BEANTON, completely furnished, with the offices, Gardens, fruit-walls, green house, pleasure ground, and dove-cote.

This house is large and commodious, pleasantly situated upon a rising ground, three miles east of Haddington, within half a mile of the great post road, commands extensive prospects of the greater part of East and Mid Lothian, frith of Forth, and coast of Fife, is very central for markets, and all kinds of games. The fruit-walls are extensive, and stocked with the best kind of fruit-trees, particularly apple-trees, and carry heavy crops.

If the House and Garden are not let betwixt and Martinmas next the Garden will be then let separately.

The tenant of the ground will be accommodated with such quantity of hay or pasture land, as he may want.

For further particulars apply to James Stormonth writer in Edinburgh. John Burnet at Beanton will show the premises.

TO BE SOLD.

THE Lands and Barony of BALLINDALLOCH, lying in the parish of Balfre and county of Stirling, pleasantly situated on the north side of the river Endrick, sixteen miles west of Stirling by the military road leading to Dumbaron, and the same distance from Glasgow. This estate is about 3000. Sterling of yearly rent, extensive, and capable of great improvement. It holds of the Crown, and entitles the proprietor to vote for a member of Parliament. There is a good manfionhouse and offices on it, with a variety of old plantings, and a fine natural oak wood. A considerable part of the price, if desired, will be allowed to lie in the hands of the purchaser.

Mr Gourlay, minister of Balfre, or a servant at the manfion-house, will show the premises; and William McEwan, writer in Edinburgh, in whose hands the title-deeds, rental, and leases may be seen, or Thomas Buchanan writer in Glasgow, with whom copies of the rental and inventory of the writs are lodged, will treat with those who intend to purchase.

Judicial Sale of the Estate of CATHLAW.

To be SOLD, within the Parliament or New Session House of Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 15th of December 1784, between the hours of four and six afternoon,

THE LANDS and ESTATE of CATHLAW, lying within the parish of Torphichen and shire of Linlithgow.

The proven yearly rent of these lands is L. 161 19 0

And deducting the feu and tiend duties, minister's stipend, and schoolmaster's salary, which amount to

There remains of free rent, L. 159 12 1 8-12ths

Which, valued at twenty-two years purchase, being held of a subject superior, amounts to L. 3533 7 0 8-12ths

Which is to be the upper-price of the lands.

There is a commodious manfion-house upon the estate, with good office-houses, all in good repair.

The lands are mostly inclosed with thriving hedges and stripes of planting. There are besides several other thriving plantations upon the estate.

The title-deeds, and articles and conditions of sale, may be seen in the hands of Mr John Callander, depute clerk of Session; and further information will be got by applying to John Anderson, writer to the signet.

FOR KINGSTON, JAMAICA,

And will call at any of the Windward Islands, if encouraging Freight offers.

THE BRIGANTINE BELL,

JOHN CATHCART Master, IS now ready to receive goods, and will be clear to sail by the 20th September at farthest.

For freight or passage, apply to Robert Dunmore in Glasgow, or Hamilton Cathcart and Co. in Greenock.

The Bell is a very fine new British built vessel, about 200 tons burden, and has good accommodation for passengers.

Greenock, 20th August 1784.

A GARDENER WANTED.

WANTED, immediately, or at Martinmas next, an Experienced Gardener, who can lay out a new Kitchen garden, and understand the method of managing a hot-house, hot-walks, &c.

Any persons whom this may suit will apply to Mr David Esdaile clerk to the signet. They must produce certificates from their former masters of their abilities, and mention their terms.

CONTRACTOR FOR LAMPS WANTED.

ANY Person willing to contract for LIGHTING THE LAMPS OF CANONGATE for the ensuing season, is desired to lodge sealed proposals with Mr James Clark, treasurer to the burgh of Canongate, betwixt and the 16th September 1784.

Edinburgh and Dumfries NEW DILIGENCE,

IN ONE DAY.

SETS out from J. CAMERON'S, Wh. Hart Inn, Grass-market, Edinburgh, and from Messrs M'VETUS and CLINT in Dumfries, every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, at four o'clock in the morning, and will arrive at Edinburgh and Dumfries pretty early the evening of the same days. Each passenger to pay 1 l. 4 s. and to be allowed 14 lb. of baggage; all above to pay 1 s. d. per pound. Paper parcels 6 d. and larger ones 1 s.

N. B. The carriages are remarkably good; and there is a particular convenience contrived for the safety of paper parcels.

The Proprietors will not be answerable for any parcel above the value of 5 l. unless entered and paid for accordingly.

GAME.

THE COUNTESS DOWAGER OF GALLOWAY, desirous to preserve the GAME on her estates in the shire of Wigton, expects that persons qualified will apply to her for liberty. And all poachers and unqualified persons, who trespass on her lands, shall be prosecuted in terms of law.

GAME.

SIR WILLIAM MURRAY of Touchadam hopes that all Gentlemen who wish to shoot on his estates in Stirlingshire or Fife, will apply to his factor for liberty. Poachers and other unqualified persons found shooting on the premises may depend on being prosecuted according to law.

WHALE OIL.

TO be SOLD by Public Roup, upon Thursday the 2d of September first, at 11 o'clock noon, within the Whale-Fishing Company's Office in Dunbar, about SIXTY TONS WHALE OIL.

Roup of Corn, Bristle, and Implements of Husbandry, AT KILSPINDY.

THAT upon Monday the 30th of August current, there will be exposed to public roup and sale at Kilspindy,

The Growing Corn upon the Farms there in the proprietor's own possession, consisting of various lots of Wheat, Barley, Pease, and Oats of that species denominated Grange Oats; each lot consisting of parcels from one to six acres in extent. As also the Hay and young Cattle, and Implements of Husbandry, presently upon the said farms; and, upon proper security to be found by purchasers, credit will be given till Lammass 1785. The roup is to begin at ten o'clock forenoon, and to be continued till all is sold off. The crops, &c. will be shown to any person inclining to see the same previous to the roup, by the proprietor's servants on the farm. The crops will be comparatively early, from every appearance.

NOTICE.

TO the HERITORS of the County of INVERNESS.

AT a General Meeting of the Commissioners of Supply of said county, held the 17th current, they came to the following resolutions:—1. That for such arrears of cess as were due and payable on or before the 25th March last, and not paid into the Collector at Inverness on or before the 1st day of October next, an action should immediately thereafter be raised against the delinquents before the Judge Ordinary. 2. That for all arrears of cess to be hereafter incurred, payable at or preceding the 25th March in each year, and which shall not be paid to the Collector at Inverness, on or before the 1st day of April thereafter, actions before the Judge Ordinary shall immediately be raised in the manner above directed; and appointed the Collector or his depute to cause raise such actions accordingly. And appointed these resolutions to be inserted in the Edinburgh newspapers, that all concerned may be certified thereof.

NOTICE.

TO the CREDITORS of DUNCAN McNAUGHTON, Drover in Cashie.

PATRICK CAMPBELL in Roro, having been chosen Trustee by the Creditors of the said Duncan McNaughton, at a general meeting held upon the 16th of July last, which has since been confirmed by the Lord Kennet, Ordinary on the bills; and an order obtained upon the bankrupt, to dispose and convey his estate, real and personal, to the Trustee, for behoof of his Creditors: He does hereby in terms of the statute, require all the Creditors of the said Duncan McNaughton, to lodge with him their grounds of debt, with their oaths for proving the same, on or before the 2d of February 1785, being nine calendar months from the 2d of May 1784, the date of granting the signification; certifying to such of the Creditors as shall not comply with this requisition, that they can have no share in the first distribution of the debtor's funds.

Second Notice—First Term.

IN the Process of Ranking and Sale, Messrs Caddell and Edington merchants in Carron-park, with concurrence of his Majesty's Advocate, against George Galdie, merchant in Crossarty, and his creditors the Lord Rockville; by his interlocator, dated the 11th August 1784, nominated the Lord Swinton of course to rank the creditors; and assigned the 12th November next, to the whole creditors to produce all their claims, rights, and diligence competent to them, against the bankrupt or his estate, and that for the First Term; with certification as in a reduction and imputation; and appointed this notice thereof, so as the same may come to the knowledge of all concerned.

C. H. CALLENDAR, Clerk.

FARMS IN MID-LOTHIAN TO LET.

TO be LET and entered to at Martinmas next, 1784, upon leases for such a number of years as can be agreed upon.

The following Farms, part of the estate of MALLENY, lying within the parish of Currie, five miles west from Edinburgh, viz. LUMPHOY, CURRIE, CAULDHAME, and East Mill, with the Mill thereon; WESTER KILLIETH, and COWSLAKE. These four Farms are almost wholly arable, laid out in fens from about 90. to 120 Scots acres, conform to a new arrangement thereof, and are well situated; three of them along the side of water of Leith, and one of them little above it.

Also, the Farm of CRAIGINTARY, consisting of about 575 Scots acres, of which about 200 are arable, the remainder fall and pasture, and which farm is well adapted for sheep.

The whole lands are capable of, and conveniently situated for improvement, there being lime-stones upon the estate, and coals within five computed miles. Encouragement for inclosing, subdividing, and other improvements, will be given by the proprietor.

William Napier, Overseer at Malleeny house, will show the grounds and for further particulars, application may be made to John Scott, Esq; younger of Malleeny, or Allan McDougall, writer to the signet at Edinburgh.



From the LONDON GAZETTE, August 21.

Westminster, August 20, 1784.

THIS day his Majesty went in state to the House of Peers, and being in his royal robes, seated on the throne with the usual solemnity, Robert Quarme, Esq; Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a message from his Majesty to the House of Commons, commanding their attendance in the House of Peers. The Commons being come thither accordingly, his Majesty was pleased to give the Royal Assent to

An act for granting to his Majesty certain duties on certificates issued with respect to the killing of game.

An act for granting to his Majesty certain additional rates of postage for conveyance of letters and packets by the post, within the kingdom of Great Britain; for preventing frauds in the revenue carried on by the conveyance of certain goods in letters and packets; and for further preventing frauds and abuses in relation to the sending and receiving of letters and packets free from postage.

An act for granting additional duties upon raw and thrown silk imported into Great Britain, and upon lead exported from Great Britain into parts beyond the seas; and for allowing a drawback upon the exportation of silks, and stuffs mixed with silk.

An act for repealing the several duties on tea, and for granting to his Majesty other duties in lieu thereof, and also several duties on inhabited houses, and upon the importation of cocoa-nuts and coffee, and for repealing the inland duties of excise thereon.

And to two private bills.

After which his Majesty was pleased to make the following most gracious speech:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

I cannot close this session of Parliament without returning you my warmest thanks for the eminent proofs you have given of your zealous and diligent attention to the public service.

The happiest effects may be expected from the provisions which you have made for the better government of India, and from the institution of a tribunal so peculiarly adapted to the trial of offences committed in that distant country.

I observe with great satisfaction the laws which you have passed for the preservation and improvement of the revenue. No exertions shall be wanting on my part to give them vigour and effect.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

The zeal and liberality with which you have provided for the exigencies of the public service, and the assistance which you have given me to prevent a growing arrear in the expenses of my civil list, demand my particular thanks.

I feel in common with you for the unavoidable burdens of my people.

The importance of effectually supporting our national credit, after a long and exhausting war, can alone reconcile me to so painful a necessity. I trust the same consideration will enable my faithful subjects to meet it, as they have uniformly done, with fortitude and patience.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

The definitive Treaty which has been signed with the States General of the United Provinces, and the peace concluded in India, as well as the assurances which I receive from foreign powers, promise the continuance of general tranquillity.

I trust, therefore, that, after so laborious a session, it will not be found necessary to call you again together at a very early period.

Many important objects with respect to our trade and commerce, which could not now be provided for, will naturally require your attention after the recess; and such regulations will, I trust, be framed, after a full investigation, as shall be found best calculated to promote the wealth and prosperity of all the parts of the empire.

Then the Lord Chancellor, by his Majesty's command, said,

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

It is his Majesty's Royal will and pleasure, that this Parliament be prorogued to Tuesday the 26th day of October next, to be then here holden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Tuesday the 26th day of October next.

The Prince of Wales sat in the chair of state, on the right hand of his Majesty.

At the Court at St James's, the 20th of August, 1784.

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.
This day the Right Honourable James Earl of Courown, Treasurer of his Majesty's Household; was, by his Majesty's command, sworn of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly.

St James's, Aug. 21.

The King has been pleased to appoint Robert Waller, Esq; to be one of the Grooms of his Majesty's Bed-chamber, in the room of Major-General St John.

Also to appoint Major-General Adeane to be one of the Grooms of his Majesty's Bed-chamber.

Whitehall, August 21.

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint the Honourable Keith Stewart to be Receiver-General of his Majesty's Land Rents and Casualties in Scotland.

From the London Papers, Aug. 21.

Amsterdam, Aug. 16. A letter from Constantinople, dated the 16th of last month, gave an account of a revolution at Nicotia, the capital of the island of Cyprus, which took place on the 5th of June. The letter relates the following particulars: That the Porte having deputed a Commissioner to enquire into the complaints of the inhabitants against the Governor, the day after his arrival he held a bed of justice, where the Governor was summoned to attend, but excused himself, requesting the Commissioner to repair to his palace, and there communicate the particulars of the business with which he was charged; that in compliance with this invitation he proceeded to the palace, followed by the Bishops, the officers belonging to the courts of justice, and a great concourse of people; that a Divan had been assembled by the Governor, the investigation of whose conduct had scarcely commenced, when the hall where the meeting was held suddenly fell in, and buried in the ruins, and dangerously wounded, upwards of three hundred people. The populace, before highly exasperated against the Governor, attributing the above disaster to his contrivance, directed the fury against his Seraglio, which they pillaged and burnt, and then massacred the Governor. The letter further says, that Hagdy Ali Effendi is nominated by the Grand Signior to assume the government of the island of Cyprus.

L O N D O N.

The reason of the insolvent bill having been set aside this session, is said to be on account of a total alteration in the law for recovering debts, and also an imprisonment for debt; which will be preceded by an act of grace, to be passed early in the next spring, to clear all the prisons throughout the kingdom; after which acts of insolvency will, as we understand, be totally abolished. Swindlers will be deemed felons in all cases, and the bankrupt laws will be revised. The intended mode will not, it is said, hurt the revenue, or injure trade; while it holds out relief for the truly unfortunate.

The Dutch mail of yesterday contains the articles of the treaty between his Most Christian Majesty and the States-General of the Netherlands. The following are the principal points of agreement: "The high contracting parties agree to a perfect union, and constant amity between the States and subjects of each, and to preserve each other from hostile attempts from whatever part of the world. In case either be attacked, the other shall afford assistance, and employ means, by way of mediation. But if these means are not effectual, his Most Christian Majesty and their High Mightinesses engage to assist each other, both by land and sea, furnishing a certain number (not therein specified) of troops, ships, &c. which are to be maintained at the expense of the party thus supplying them, in whatever part the party receiving shall think fit to employ them. That they shall keep always in readiness a sufficient number of ships and troops to supply the place of those who may fall by the event of war, or sea. In case of a war entered into by one of the parties, if the other finds itself in a condition to carry it on in conjunction, they shall together operate against the common enemy, and shall not lay down arms, or accept terms of peace, but in conjunction." A treaty of commerce is to follow this treaty of unity and friendship, which is generally thought will be approved of by the States.

They write from Venice, that a shock of an earthquake had lately happened at the island of Corfu, in the Mediterranean, a small territory belonging to that republic, by which much damage was done.

An experiment is going to be immediately made in respect to the transportation of felons, a number of whom, now in custody, will be sent to the East India Company's settlements in Asia; but to prevent inconveniences in their transportation, they will be sent to different parts; and not more than twelve in each ship, by agreement with the Company, who are to victual them on their passage out, and to be reimbursed from the money arising for their sale. This measure is expected to be attended with some good, as they cannot so easily return home as from America, or even the coast of Africa, in which last it has been found dangerous to employ the convicts as soldiers.

PRICE OF STOCKS, Aug. 21.

Bank Stock	India Stock
4 per cent. Ann. 1777, 74½ a ½	3 per cent. Ann. —
3 per cent. con. 56½ a ½	India Bonds paid, —
3 per cent. red. 52½ a ½	Ditto unpaid, 5 a 6 disc.
3 per cent. 1726, —	Exchequer Bills, —
Long Ann. 1733-16ths a ½	Navy-Bills, 13½ prem.
Short Ann. 1778, —	3 per cent. Scrip. 74½ a ½
South Sea Stock, —	4 per cent. Scrip. 74½ a 75
3 per cent. Old Ann. —	Omanium, 3 prem.
Ditto New Ann. 364 a ½	Lottery Tickets, 15 f. 14 s.
Ditto 1751, —	Light Long Ann. —

WIND AT DEAL, Aug. 20. S. W.

EDINBURGH.

Extract of a letter from London, Aug. 21.

"The only news I can send to you is, that the few remaining members of Parliament are hurrying out of town with a speed proportioned to the advancement of the season. This you will easily conceive to be the case, without any intimation of it. The King surprised everybody yesterday by his early arrival at the House of Peers. He came half an hour after two. The usual time of his coming is three o'clock. It rained incessantly; and there was a report among the crowds that are always gazing at the royal processions, that it was in consequence to them, and in commemoration of them, that his Majesty came so early to the House.

"The English nation begin to open their eyes to the remains of feudal slavery which they now find still subsists in the Northern part of this island. The enquiries that have been made into the state of the fisheries in the Orkney and Shetland islands, have very much contributed to this effect, which will, no doubt, be productive of other effects, and may probably lead, under the influence of your patriotic Scots members, to the total extirpation of slavery, thus which nothing is more inimical to industry.

"I have herewith transmitted a very curious and important examination, which I obtained from a member of the Committee on Fisheries.

Die Martis, Aug. 10. 1784.

"At the Committee on the British Fisheries,

"Mr DEMETER in the Chair,

"Mr John Hall called in and examined. — "I was born in the north of England. I live in London, and am a dealer in ships. Have been master of a tender in the service of Government. Have been in Shetland. — Delivers in a paper entitled, "State of Fishery in Shetland, Aug. 10. 1784," which is as follows, viz: "The Fishery of Shetland (except in the instance of Mr Bruce of Sumborough) is carried on by the different poor fishers, who have small allotments of ground granted them on certain conditions, that the fish they get be delivered to the proprietors of the respective lands at their salting houses, at certain low prices, in proportion to the size of the cod, ling, or tusk, for taken, the greatest price not exceeding three-pence per head, which is not given them in cash, but credited at a certain price for goods and necessities of life, which the proprietors oblige themselves to take at the price they set on them. By those means, the proprietors of land make a monopoly of the fish, inasmuch that the town of Lerwick, or the shipping in the harbour, cannot be supplied but by stealth, except by the boats on the estate of Mr Bruce of Sumborough, who, in consequence of this indulgence, has raised the rent of the respective allotments of his estate above double the old rent; notwithstanding which the fishermen are much happier under those circumstances, than the different fishers on the coast.

"An attempt similar to the plan set forward by Mr Bruce of Sumborough was set forward by a Mr Balfour of Orkney, but resident at Trender, who was steward to Sir Lawrence Dundas; but it does not appear, the advantages they enjoy are similar to those under Mr Bruce. But, whether the satisfaction of his tenants arises from the advantages of their situation, (by being on the east side of the island, and conse-

quently ready to serve the town of Lerwick, the shipping, as well as various salting-places) I cannot determine. But, it is evident, the free fishers sell their fish at a considerable advance above those that are bound, without being under the necessity of taking goods, &c. boats, and fishing-tackle, at the advanced price set on them by the landlords, who, to a man, keep a store replete with all the necessaries in use, and wanted by the fishermen.

"I have omitted to instance the case of one industrious free fisher, who has several boats, and who is courted by different landlords, for a preference of his fish at their salting places. This man, by his industry, is enabled to live in a respectable way.

"The frequent scarcity of provisions at Shetland is oftener an artificial want than a real deficiency. In the year 1783, while several poor creatures in the northern parts of the island were experiencing real famine, Lerwick had then provisions in store to supply their wants in an ample manner; but the merchants, or rather land-owners, chose rather to speculate with the provisions in store than supply those poor people who depended on them for support, as had been the custom time immemorial.

"Some days after the different supplies of meal (granted by Government) arrived at Lerwick, some tons of bread nearly spoiled were offered for sale at a reduced price, which had laid in store these several months.

"Mr Hall, being then further examined, says, the facts therein stated are true.

"Do you know the number of boats employed in the Shetland fishery?

"I do not. The fishery is carried on in boats, and in vessels of forty or fifty tons, having boats attending them. The fish is exported to the Mediterranean annually; but if the fishery was carried on by free fishers, the trade would be considerably augmented. If twenty times the quantity of fish was to be caught, they would find a market. Last year there were commissions for four times the quantity caught. — The inhabitants do not take any herrings, having no nets fit for the purpose; but the Dutch carry on an extensive herring fishery on the coast, and he has seen eight hundred sail of buxles there at one time. The buxles are about sixty tons. They appear to have about twelve men each. — Being asked, why the people of Shetland do not carry on the herring fishery, says, that the poverty of the people effectually bars them from carrying it on to any extent, and that those who have carried it on in some small degree have sunk money by it, owing to a combination raised by the Dutch at Hamburg where the fish were sent. — But he supposes, that if the Shetland fishery was carried on to the extent it is capable of, their herrings would meet with an equal market with others. The Danes, Flemings, and Hamburgers send ships to the fishery. The Dutch have a store-ship 300 tons burthen, which lies in the harbour of Lerwick all the season, for the purpose of supplying the buxles with necessaries. — We found it difficult to supply our ship with fish, except what we got in presents or clandestinely.

"Would the fishers get more money for their fish, if they were allowed to sell them to any buyer?

"They would. I know myself one person on the island, who would buy all the fish caught there, and at a much greater price.

"Could they be supplied with stores and provisions, and clothing, cheaper than they now are by their landlords, if they were allowed to purchase them indiscriminately of any person?

"They could be supplied much cheaper.

"Do those fishers, who are bound to sell their fish to their landlords, live comfortably?

"No; they live greatly upon tea and fish, and little barley bread.

"Are the fish plenty about Shetland?

"They are amazingly plenty about Shetland.

"What kinds are most plenty?

"Cod, ling, and tusk. They have also a great quantity of sole fish. On this last fish the people can live without bread, but on no other.

"Do you know any thing of the manufactory of stockings in Shetland?

"Every person there manufactures stockings.

"How do they dispose of them?

"To the Dutch.

"Is there any oil manufactured there from the small fish?

"About 800 barrels were made in the winter of 1782.

"Are the people who make the oil at liberty to sell it to whom they please?

"Not being rich enough to buy cattle, they are under the necessity of carrying it to the store-keepers.

"If the restraints you have mentioned were removed, would they not apply themselves to the fisheries?

"They would.

"Are the fishers able to maintain their aged parents, or relations, who are not able to work for themselves?

"No. They marry very young, and generally have large families of their own.

"Do you know any thing of the prices of fish in Shetland?

"In 1781, and 1782, the price of cod was 14s. ling and tusk 16s. per cwt. In 1783, the whole fish was contracted for 18s. per cwt.

"In what part of the island of Shetland is Mr Bruce's property?

"At the southern extremity. There are in the island a great many fine harbours, all round Shetland, furnishing good bays for the safety of vessels.

"What is the season of the cod fishing?

"They begin to fish for cod and ling in May, and end in August.

Mr Hall withdraws.

Last night, Hay Campbell, Esq; Lord Advocate for Scotland, arrived in town from London.

Yesterday morning, the Jury, on the trial of Anderson, Paul, and Welsh, mentioned in our last, returned their verdict, all, except one, finding the crime libelled against Anderson and Paul, of instigating and exciting a mob, by beating a drum at the time and places set forth in the indictment, proven; also found, that Welsh was concerned in exciting the mob, but in a less degree than the other two. After the verdict was recorded, the Judges delivered their opinions at considerable length, stating fully the atrocity of the crime of which the pannels had been found guilty. Sentence was then pronounced against Anderson and Paul, ordaining them to be publicly whipped through the streets of Edinburgh, by the hands of the common hangman, on Wednesday the 8th of September next, and thereafter to be banished to one or other of his Majesty's plantations for fourteen years, and their service adjudged

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and again banished, so often as they return, till they have com-
pleted the fourteen years banishment in one entire period.
Wellis was sentenced to be imprisoned for six months, and to
find bail to keep the peace for two years.—Lord Hailes then
addressed the panels in a most solemn and pathetic manner,
advising them seriously and sincerely to endeavour to make
their peace with Almighty God, whose laws, as well as those
of their country, they had so highly offended. His Lordship
said, they might, at present, think the sentence pronounced a-
gainst them a severe one. He allowed in some respects it was
so, and the Court were sorry for the absolute necessity there
was of inflicting it. But, when the panels maturely reflect-
ed on the dangerous tendency of the crime, and the fatal con-
sequences which would inevitably have followed, had it not
been for the spirited, and, at the same time, prudent conduct
of the people at the distillery, and the civil Magistrate, assist-
ed by the military, they must think the sentence a very merciful
instead of a severe one. Here his Lordship adverted to the
riots, which had well nigh destroyed the city of London,
and where the houses of some of the most venerable characters
in the kingdom were actually laid in ashes. Their first be-
ginning, perhaps, might be deemed innocent; but, when once
a number of people are convoked together, whatever might be
the pretence, evil disposed persons were always at hand, to take
advantage of the security afforded them, by the numbers assem-
bled, to put their wicked designs in execution. The riots in
London afforded a melancholy proof of the truth of this ob-
servation; and he hoped in God, the fate of the panels,
whose unhappy situation he sincerely regretted, would be a
warning to all others to avoid mobbing upon any pretence what-
ever. There was no crime, in his idea, equal to it, High
Treason only excepted. They were now to suffer a public and
an ignominious punishment, for being principal infligators in
that crime. It was not, however, for the sake of punishing
them, that the sentence was pronounced. It was principally
to deter others from committing the like dangerous crimes in
time coming, and to convince the thoughtless and insatiable
multitude, that, however secure they might think themselves
in their numbers, the laws of their country will lay hold of
them, and that those laws are not to be violated with impunity.
His Lordship dismissed Anderson and Paul with a most
serious admonition to amend their lives, and to endeavour, by
their future conduct, to do to themselves, as to retrieve
the reputation they had lost; in which case, as they were but
young men, they might still become good citizens, even of
their native country. His Lordship afterwards said a few
words to Wellis, informing him, that, as the Jury had very
properly discriminated his share of the guilt from that of the
other two panels, it was the duty of the Court to follow their
idea in discriminating likewise as to the degree of punishment,
(which he hoped would have a proper effect on his future con-
duct,) especially as the proof justified the Jury in every part of their
verdict; for which he thanked them, as they had discovered a
degree of attention which did them great honour. The other
Lords, in delivering their opinions, likewise highly compli-
mented the Jury. Counsel for the Crown, Mr Solicitor-Gen-
eral, Mr William Craig, and Mr Archibald Campbell. For
the panels, Mr William Stewart, and Mr Robert Craigie.

This forenoon, George Hutchison and Peter Brown, jour-
neymen bakers, and John Aitchison, shoemaker in Canongate,
were whipped through the High-street of that burgh, by receiving
from the hands of the common executioner, five stripes on each
of their naked backs, at four different places, having been con-
victed, before the High of Justiciary, of assembling, with oth-
ers, in a riotous manner, in the High-street of Canongate,
on the night of the 26th of February last, and then attacking,
beating, and abusing persons passing about their lawful business.
This morning early, an experiment was made on the Edin-
burgh Fire Balloon, which, since its last failure, has under-
gone several alterations. As the paper, with which it was for-
merly lined, was exceedingly apt to be torn with handling of
in raising the Balloon, it has been all taken off, and the cloth
lid over with a kind of varnish. The fire was kindled about a
quarter after five, and in twelve minutes the Balloon was al-
most filled. However, in order to dry it thoroughly, the fire
was kept up for an hour. Mr Tytler took his seat; the Bal-
loon was let at liberty, and the fire extinguished, as the inten-
tion was to take only a short-flight without the stove. It then
appeared that too little fire had been used, as the Balloon,
though it fairly raised itself, the projector, and basket (in all
upwards of 900 pounds) from the ground, yet could only rise
a small distance, owing to the fire having been extinguished be-
fore the Balloon was let loose. The practicability of the
scheme, however, was evident; and there is little doubt that
another experiment will put it in his power to retort on those
who have ridiculed him in distrefs.

We hear from Alloa, that, upon Wednesday last, the 18th
current, the ploughing-match appointed by the Clackmannan
Farmers Club was held, when twenty-eight ploughmen entered
the list; and their work having been examined by gentlemen
of knowledge and experience in the farming line, met with
great approbation. The premium given by the Club was ad-
judged to Alexander Verty, servant to Mr Andrew Stein of
Tulligarth, as the best ploughman.

Thursday last was paid in by William Anderson of Newca-
stle, one of the executors of the deceased James Duncan of
Kenlon, in the county of Northumberland, to the Treasurer
of the Infirmary of Aberdeen, 100 l. To the Cashier of the
Poors Hospital there, 50 l. To the Boxmaster of the Sailors
Hospital, 50 l. as a donation left by the said James Duncan
to the said charities.

We hear from Old Deer, that barley harvest was begun
there, and that there never was a finer appearance of a plenti-
ful crop than at present.

Near Camlachie, in the neighbourhood of Glasgow, a field
of barley was begun to be cut down on Saturday last.

Thursday last, the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Town-
Council of Glasgow, walked in procession to St Andrew's
church, where an elegant sermon was preached before them by
the Reverend Dr Taylor; after which they proceeded to moder-
ate in a call to the Reverend Mr Lockhart according to the
rules of the church, when it was immediately signed by a num-
ber of the parishioners present.

The following are the noble Lords who voted in the divi-
sion on Wednesday on the question for passing the Scotch for-
feited estates bill:—

Lord Dunmore, Lord Walsingham, Marquis of Carmar-
then, Lord Morton, Lord Weymouth, Lord Rawdon, and
Lord Breadalbane, for the bill.

The Lord Chancellor, Lord Chief Justice Loughborough,
Lord Sandys, and the Bishop of Bristol, against the bill.
The abolition of franking, agreeable to the new act of Par-
liament, took place from Friday last. (See advertisement
from the General Post Office, in this paper.)

The new regulation at the Post Office, with respect to the
conveyance of the mail in a coach or diligence, meets with un-
iversal approbation. The advantages are manifold; and so
much is it the favourite of the public, that the cities of Nor-
wich, Nottingham, and most of the principal towns in Eng-
land, have presented (or are about to present) memorials to the
Minister to be put on the same footing with the citizens of Bri-
stol. No place would benefit more from the improvement than
Edinburgh, and it is to be hoped that the metropolis of Scot-
land will not be the last in making the application.

There is another great object of Post Office Reform, the
frequency of the arrivals and departures of the posts, a very
material thing in a commercial country. Now, when the
extension of trade will be the effect of the blessings of peace,
and when the improvement of the country will be the conse-
quence of the restoration of the forfeited lands, and the atten-
tion to the fisheries, the necessity of the frequency of commu-
nication is obvious. We with pleasure have seen, that upon
the application of the gentlemen in the towns and neighbour-
hood of Caithness, Cupar, St Andrews, and Falkland, the posts
have been increased from three times to six times a week, a
measure that should take place to every town as far west as In-
verary, and as far north as Inverness. The gentlemen in those
districts should immediately join in an unanimous application
for this purpose to the Postmasters-General. Now when the
rates of postage are raised, the public have an undoubted right
to every accommodation both in the frequency and early ar-
rival of the posts.

By the bill just passed (called the distillery act) the duty of
excise on malt and corn spirits, made in Great Britain, is re-
duced to 5 d per gallon on the wash or wort. The duty of
excise on-melasses spirits is reduced to 7 d per gallon on the
wash or wort; and near 2 s. per gallon is taken off from the
duties on the importation of rum from our sugar colonies, by
which means, the consumption of the latter article must be
greatly increased, in preference to French brandy, as the fu-
ture duty on rum will only be five shillings and twopenny per
gallon, whilst that on brandy will continue at nine shillings and
seven pence per gallon.

This being the day appointed for the meeting of Presbytery,
as the last Wednesday of the month, no other business came
before them, than an application from the journeymen and ap-
prentices of the Barber Society, praying the Presbytery to join
them in an application to the Magistrates to put a stop to shav-
ing and hair-dressing on the Lord's day. The Presbytery
were pleased to applaud the religious sentiments expressed in the
application from the Barbers; but gave them no encouragement
to expect redress from the grievance complained of, nor did
they agree to join with them.

Edinburgh, August 17, 1784.

Mr Mear, Teacher of English, having opened a School in
Bristol Street, those under his tutorage at present were ex-
amined in the presence of the Rev. Dr William Robertson, Prin-
cipal of the University, and the Rev. Mr Thomas Randall; and
it appeared in the course of the examination, that the Scholars
not only read and recited with propriety, but they also gave evi-
dence, that they were well initiated in the construction of
the English language, and likewise in spelling.

To the Printer of the Caledonian Mercury.

S I R,
If you choose to insert the following little List in to-night's
Mercury, you shall occasionally hear from me on the like
useful subject.
D. M.

Edin. Aug. 23.

LIST of CHANGES in the HOUSE of COMMONS since the Meeting of PARLIAMENT.	
for Monmouthshire, vice J. Hanbury—dead.	Lord Viscount Neill, Eiq.
Southwark, Eiq.	Paul Le Mesurier, Eiq.
Earl of Surrey, elected for Carlisle.	Richard Beckford, Eiq.
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W. Wilberforce, Eiq. elected for Yorkshire.	Wm. Spencer Stanhope, Eiq.
Earl of Nugent—resigned.	Wm. Young, Eiq.
John Smith, Eiq. vacated.	Rich. Ackland, Eiq.
Cator, Eiq. vacated.	Chas. Alex. Crickett, Eiq.
John Gifford, Eiq. elected for Yorkshire.	Edward Costford, Eiq.
H. Leveson, Eiq. elected for Yorkshire.	Chas. Phillips, Eiq.
Randal Wilbraham, Eiq. vacated.	Chas. W. Boscawen, Eiq.
Hon. St. Conway, Eiq. double return.	Edw. Bouverie, Eiq.
Wm. Scott, Eiq.	Robt. Skirrow, Eiq.
St. Andrew St. John—petition.	Lord Ogleby, Eiq.
Chris. Porter, Eiq. vacated.	Sir Robt. Smyth, Eiq.
Sir John Griffin Griffin—a Peer.	Wm. Fawcett, Eiq.
REMAINS VACANT.	
Seaford—Lord Neill, elected for Monmouthshire.	
Canterbury—J. Phillips, Eiq. vacated.	
Windsor—Hon. Acton Stewart—a Peer.	
Wells—J. Lemon, Eiq. vacated.	
Edinburgh—James Hunter Blair, Eiq. vacated.	

FOR THE CALEDONIAN MERCURY.

The Rise and Fall of the EDINBURGH FIRE
BALLOON anticipated.

WHEN to the skies great TITANS shall aspire,
Then thou, my Muse, send thy poetic fire
Into my breast, that, with my feeble lays,
I may, at least, attempt to found his praise.

While now his friends are told with anxious fear,
The air unclouded, lies serenely clear,
All things prepar'd to wait him thro' the air,
His heart undaunted, free his mind from care,
His genius soars beyond the poles of day,
And looks for regions in distant day;
While yet he mounts into the thinner air,
Friendship, attentive, seeks his flame to share,
Flies after swift upon the Muse's wing,
To observe his deeds, and thus begins to sing:

"O thou, who wilt exalt the human mind
To thoughts extensive, as the eastern wind—
But here she stops; for, while the speaker's bold
Hope simplest clouds in wild disorder roll,
Th' immortal machines in balance hang,
Now in a sea of dreadful horrors tost;
Uplifted now beyond the polar star,
And now depress'd below the clouds as far.
The third allonish'd view, with wondrous eyes,
The huge machine now falling from the skies;
At last, the fiercest coming in his rear,
His weak science's motion break and tear;
And now being hurst, and falling down from heav'n,
Straight on a steep it was headlong driv'n.
Where now it hangs, suspended like a eagle,
Expos'd to all the tempest's furious rage,
And thou, great TITANS, what didst thou then do?
Didst not thou then thy fatal madness rue?
When being blown from the ship's steeple's top,
Thou couldst not then thy airy voyage stop,
But flew'st direct into a deep horse pond,
Where now you very nearly had been drown'd.
When this the saw, the Muse grew pale, and sigh'd,
She look'd aghast, and shut her eyes—and died!"

SOUND SHIPPING.

July 7. Sally of Shields, Home, from Leith for Copenhagen, with lead.
Friendship of Leith, Liddell, from ditto for Peterburgh, in ballast.
John and Thomas, of Kincardine, Davidson, from ditto for Co-
penhagen, with coals.
8. Ellick of Leith, Reymers, from ditto for Stockholm, with ditto.
Annabella of Glasgow, McMillan, from ditto for Macpel, in ballast.
9. Mary of Kirkcaldy, Baxter, from ditto for Copenhagen, with coals.
Margaret of Inverkeithing, Anderson, from ditto for Grange-
mouth, with grain.
ELINGORE, Aug. 10, 1784.
WALTER WOOD.

ARRIVED AT LEITH, AUG. 24. Lark, Obistan, from Riga, with
wood, &c.; Glasgow Packet, Campbell, from Catron, with
yettin; Hope, Thornton, from Christiana, with wood; Dominus
Tecum, Rath, from Danzig, with grain; Anne, Milne,
from Montrose, with goods; Three Friends, Black, from Alloa,
with coals; Betsey, Lamb, from Peterburgh, with goods.

ARRIVED AT GREENOCK, AUGUST 21. Seven Brothers, Bean,
from Memel, with timber;—22. Columbus, Thomson, from dit-
to, with ditto; Food, Thomson, from Oban, with ditto.
SAILED, 21. Betty Kerr, for Belfast, with goods; Elliot, Ward,
for Liverpool, with ditto; Townend, Coppenhagen, on a cruise.
For List of shipping at other Ports, see last Page.

BELTONFORD CLUB.

THE MEMBERS of the BELTONFORD CLUB, are desired to
meet at Balie Lorimer's in Dunbar, on Monday the 6th of
September first, at three o'clock afternoon; and as the preservation of
the Game in the low country is then proposed to be taken under con-
sideration, it is hoped, all or most of the Members will attend.

TO BE SOLD.

A Remarkable handsome Pointer D.O.G.,
four years old, finely shaped, hunts very high, of an excellent
kind, and is completely bred.
Mr John Ogg, stabler, at the West-Port, will inform as to particu-
lars.
Not to be repeated.

Dundee August 17, 1784.

THIS day, the Grammar School here was ex-
amined by the Presbytery, in presence of the Magistrates, and
a number of other Gentlemen. On this occasion, the Scholars in all
the different classes acquitted themselves with the satisfaction of
the Judges. As the reputation of the school is established, the Pres-
bytery have only to add, that the Rector pursues his excellent plan of
teaching with unremitting assiduity; that he is well supported by his
assistants; and that, in respecters of distinguished merit, they are intitled
to the continuance of the public favour.

Signed, by appointment, J. GELLATLY, Moderator.
The School is to be continued again on Monday the 27th of September;
and on the 1st November, Mr Sanders begins the Kuchment Class.—
Mr Watson, the Rector, continues to have good Accommodation for
Boarders.

Damaged Oats, Hemp, and Codilla.

To be SOLD by public roup, on Friday the 27th of August current, at
twelve o'clock noon, in the Brewery, Salt Bridge, Kirkcaldy, for
behalf of the Underwriters.

A QUANTITY of DAMAGED OATS.—Also a quantity of Da-
maged HEMP and CODILLA, on the following day, at noon,
in the Ropery shade at Leven, lately imported in the Mary, John Bax-
ter master, from Riga.

The articles of roup to be seen in the Hands of William Drysdale,
town-clerk of Kirkcaldy.

By the Right Honourable the Lord Provost, Magistrates,
and Council of the City of Edinburgh.

ANY person willing to undertake the lighting the public LAMPS
belonging to the City, from sun setting to sun rising, and up-
holding the same, for one or more years, are desired to give in esti-
mates.

These Lamps consist of about 400, the City's property, and will be
given to the undertaker in a sound condition, and must be delivered
over by him at the end of the contract in the like condition.

They are likewise desired to notify the sale of the cotton wick,
and the rate at which they will undertake to light, and uphold a cer-
tain number of Lamps during the summer season; as well as lighting
with chamber oil, the Lamps in the churches used at the evening
preachings.

The persons willing to undertake the above work, are desired to give
sealed estimates to James Torry, Esq; one of the Magistrates of Edin-
burgh, betwixt and the 6th day of September next, at eleven o'clock
for noon.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Queen'sbury Arms Inn at
Annan, upon Friday the 24th September 1784, between the
hours of one and two afternoon.

The following FARMS, being part of the e-
state of Kilhead, viz. Barthat, Netherfield, Rychills, Barraigate, Town-
end, Killingwyna, and South Longford, with the pertinents
thereof, all lying in the parish of Cumbernauld, and county of
Dunbarton. The rent of these lands is about Sterling, but it will rise
considerably at the expiry of the present leases. There is plenty of
maile in the grounds, and lime within two miles thereof. The lands
hold feu of the Duke of Queensberry for payment of a penny Scots; and
his Grace is bound to enter regular successors, as well as Scots, for a
duplication of the feu duty.

The lands lie in a pleasant level country, along the side of the Sol-
way Frith, about two miles south-west of the town of Annan, upon the
south side of the military road from Portpatrick to Carlisle. If the
lands are not sold together, it is proposed to sell the same in the fol-
lowing lots, viz.

Lot I. The Farm of MURTHAT, the rent whereof is, £. 30 0 0
Lot II. The Farms of NETHERFIELD and RYE-
HILLS, 90 0 0
Lot III. BARRASCATE, TOWNEND, and KILLING-
WYND, 77 0 0
Lot IV. The Four Farms of BROOMS and SOUTH
LONGFORD, 82 0 0

L. 279 0 0

The last three lots are all contiguous, and are very pleasantly situated,
and, if sold together, would make a very agreeable small estate.
The conditions of sale and writings, will be seen in the hands of
James Walker writer to the signet, Edinburgh, to whom, or to Mr
Johnston at Pennerburghs, factor on the estate of Kilhead, any person
wanting information may apply.

ORKNEY SHIPPING.

- Sailed from Stromness.*
- Aug. 6. Hannah of and from Carlisle, Glasgow, for Gottenburgh.
 7. Ellen Nory of and from Torryburn, Taylor, from Edale.
 Jean and Janet of Kirkwall, Spittal, from Baro, for Leith.
 Amphetrite of and from Shiells, Deal, from Dumfries.
 Three Friends of and from Pittenweem, Black, from Edale.
 9. Lady Ann of and from Annan, Logan, from Gottenburgh.
 Charming Katty of and from Stornaway, Morrison, from Spey.
 10. Nelly of and from Greenock, Smith, for Hamburg.
 11. Liberty of Scarborough, Smith, from Narva, for Liverpool.
 Ellen of and from Lancaster, Mitchell, from Narva.
 Brothers of and from Campbeltown, Tempelton, from Dantzick.
 Betty of Aberdeen, Anderson, from Dantzick, for Sligo.
 Good Agreement of Shiells, Wright, from Riga, for Liverpool.
 Blanchingham of and from Newcastle, Wilson, from Riga.
 Neptune of Steeten, Reats, from Memel, for Liverpool.
 Betty of and from Maryport, Potts, from Memel.
 Peggy of Shiells, Robinson, from Memel, for Liverpool.
 Dolly of Newcastle, Smith, from Riga, for Dublin.
 Ann and Mary of Whithy, Bowman, from ditto, for Liverpool.
 Four Brothers of Yarmouth, Smith, from Dantzick, for Liverpool.
 Queen of Naples of and from Liverpool, Crobie, from Hamburg.
 Friends of Whithy, Jones, from Memel, for Lancaster.
 Peter of and from Workington, Brown, from Christianfoud.
 Friends of and from Greenock, Leith, from Dronstein.
 Ruby of Whitehaven, Dickson, from Memel, for Dumfries.
 Friendship of and from Greenock, Blair, from Christianfoud.
 12. William of and from Greenock, Ritchie, from Kirkwall.

Remain in said Harbour.

- Betty of and from Whitehaven, White, from Christianfoud.—
 This vessel arrived the 8th inst. dismantled, having lost her
 boats, and one of her hands.
 James and Mary of and from Eyemouth, Hutchison, from Edale.
 Neptune of and from Banff, Wilson, for Kirkwall.
 Happy Return of and from Newcastle, Barnett, from Lochmaddy.
 Brothers of Yarmouth, Stevenson, from Liverpool, for Steetin.
 13. In the Bay of Ingorness near Kirkwall, his Majesty's ship the
 Rose, Capt. Hawkins, from a cruise.

ARRIVED AT GRANGEMOUTH.

- Aug. 21. Marie, Hybest, from Norway, with deals. 23. Peggy, Mac
 Laren, from Larness, with aquatics and yarn; Peggy, Skiving
 Clyde, Wilson, and Providence, Davidson, from Memel, with tim-
 bor; Nelly, Renton, from Petersburg, with sundries; Duchess of
 Hamilton, Key, from Gottenburgh, with deals and iron; Resolu-
 tion, Beionerion, from Norway, with timber and deals.

SALMON FISHINGS at STIRLING to LET.

THE SALMON FISHINGS upon the rivers of Forth and Teath,
 from the shore of Stirling to the Kilnend of Greenock, excepting
 the Queen's haugh boat, and the boat and cruives of Craigforth, are to
 be SET, by public roup, for three years after Martinmas first, that is,
 during the legal fishing seasons, upon Saturday the 4th day of Septem-
 ber next, within the Council Chamber of Stirling, at eleven o'clock
 forenoon.

The present rent of the premises is only 255l. Sterling yearly;
 and, for the encouragement of bidders, they will be entered at that
 sum.

At the same time, the LONGRACK and TAYLOR-TOWN FISH-
 INGS on the said river Forth, will also be SET by roup, for the ensu-
 ing three years.

The town-clerk will shew the articles of roup, with whom those at
 a distance may correspond.

LANDS IN AYRSHIRE.

To be SOLD by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse,
 Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 18th September next, between the
 hours of five and six afternoon.

ALL and Whole the Two Merk Land and One Half Merk Land
 of LADYTOWN, Ten Shillings Land of CARLINCRAG, and
 Two Merk Land of OVERMUIR; as also, the Four Merk and Forty
 Penny Land of GLENS, and the Lands called the BYRE of BANK-
 HEAD, with the tiends, personage, and vicarage of the said lands, all
 lying in the parish of Loudon and sheriffdom of Ayr.

The lands of Ladytown, Overmuir, and Carlinraig, hold of the
 Crown, and entitle the proprietor to a vote for a member of Parlia-
 ment; and the lands of Glens hold of the Earl of Loudon for payment
 of a small feu-duty yearly.

These lands are very pleasantly situated within a mile of Newmills,
 and are capable of very great improvement. The present rent is about
 180l. yearly, and the tenants pay all public burdens; but as some of
 the tacks are near expiring, a rise of rent is expected.

For further particulars enquire at John Moir writer to the signet,
 who has power to conclude a private sale.

N. B. Part of the price shall be allowed to remain in the purcha-
 ser's hands.

To be SOLD, by private bargain.

THE Lands of CARSBROCK and HOL-
 LINS, with the pertinents, lying in the parishes of St Ninian's
 and Dunipace, and shire of Stirling. These lands consist of upwards of
 two hundred acres, Scots measure. The lands of Carlsbrock are of ex-
 cellent quality, and from the richness of the soil, are fit to carry crops
 of any kind. The lands of Hollins are adapted either for tillage or
 grazing. The whole lands are inclosed by a sufficient fence, made a few
 years ago, and there are some plantations on the lands, which are in a
 thriving condition, besides some old timber.

These lands have been set in grass for five years past, at 100l. Ster-
 ling of rent yearly, but a much higher rent has been offered for a lease
 for a term of years. They lie adjoining to the Torwood, upon the
 high road from Falkirk to Stirling, four miles from the former, and six
 miles from Stirling, and are capable of great improvement. The situa-
 tion is beautiful, commanding an extensive prospect of the Kerse of
 Falkirk, the Frith of Forth, and the country on both sides for a great
 way. The lands of Hollins hold of the Crown, and Carlsbrock of a
 subject superior.

Any person who intends to purchase, may apply to Samuel Mitchel-
 son, junior, clerk to the signet, who will shew a plan of the grounds,
 and the title-deeds, which are clear. The lands will be shewn by the
 tenants.

Lands in Mid-Lothian to be SOLD.

TO be SOLD by roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse,
 Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 18th September next, (in place
 of the 15th August inst. as formerly advertised), betwixt the hours of
 five and six afternoon.

THE LANDS of LEITHHEAD, either in whole or in lots, com-
 prehending the Inn and 40 acres of land set therewith, commonly
 known by the name of Little Pottage, lying in the parish of Kirk-
 cudbright, and county of Dumfries.

The lands in whole consist of above 260 acres, and there was lately
 built upon them a neat mansion house, fit to accommodate a pretty large
 family.—Except the 40 acres set along with the Inn, the lands may
 be entered to at Martinmas first. They are situated 11 measured
 miles from Edinburgh, on the great road leading from thence to La-
 mark, and the shire of Ayr.

If the lands are not purchased in whole, they will be sold in three
 lots, viz. The first lot, comprehending the Inn, consists of about 103
 acres. The second lot, upon which the mansion house is situated, con-
 sists of about 80 acres, mostly inclosed with hedge and ditch.—And
 the third lot, upon which the house of Leithhead is situated, consists
 of about 80 acres. By these divisions the marches will be rendered
 very freight, and the lots compact, so that purchasers, whether for
 profit or pleasure, will be enabled to improve them to very good
 purpose.

For further particulars apply to James Sommers writer in Edin-
 burgh, who will show a plan and survey of the grounds, and who has
 powers to conclude a bargain, either in whole or in lots.

By adjournment, on account of particular circumstances.

SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

TO be SOLD, by public roup, at Inverjordan Castle, in the shire
 of Ross, upon Monday the 6th of September, (instead of
 the 30th of August, as formerly advertised) at ten o'clock forenoon.
 The HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE there which belonged to the
 deceased Sir John Gordon of Inverjordan, consisting of Mounted Ma-
 hogany Four-sloped Beds, Feather Beds, Bolsters, Matresses, Blan-
 kets, and Coverlets; Mahogany Presses, Drawers, Tables, and
 Chairs; a set of Drawing-room Furniture, with some fine Indian Ja-
 panned Cabinets; Mirror Glasses of various kinds; a large assortment
 of Bed and Table Linen, and Damask, some Silver Plate; a large
 parcel of fine China, with some large China Jars; a variety of Prints,
 framed and glazed, and some Paintings; a Table-clock; a Monthly
 and an Eight-day Clock; a fine Harpsichord; a large Chamber Organ;
 a True-madame Table, and an E. O. Table, and a large Telescope
 and Microscope; together with a variety of Kitchen Furniture, and
 sundry other articles too numerous to be mentioned.

N. B. The roup is to continue till the whole is sold off.

SALE OF LANDS.

TO be SOLD, by public voluntary roup, within the house of
 George Bean vintner in Montrose, upon Tuesday the 5th day of
 January 1785;

The Town and Lands of EASTER and WESTER BALLOCHIE,
 and lands called MURK TOWN, lying within the united parishes of Logic
 and Pert, and shire of Forfar. These lands consist of above 500 Scots
 acres, mostly arable, divided and inclosed. There is upon the premises a
 convenient mansion-house, and offices, and a well-flocked pigeon-house;
 also, two excellent farm-steads, all built with stone and lime, and flat-
 ted. Sixty acres of thereby of the above lands are planted, and the
 plantations are in a thriving condition. They lie in a fine country, a-
 bout two miles from Montrose, and nearly the same distance from
 Brechin, which considerably increases their value.

The title-deeds are in the hands of William Leslie writer to the sig-
 net, Edinburgh; and persons inclining to purchase may, for further
 particulars, apply to James Gardyne, Esq. of Middleton, Mr Charles
 Greenhill at Beauchamp, or Mr Leslie; either of whom have power
 to conclude a bargain.

By Adjournment.

TO be SOLD by voluntary roup, within the King's Arms Tavern,
 Dumfries, on Wednesday the 11th day of September 1784, be-
 twixt the hours of four and five o'clock afternoon.

The Two-Merk Land and Half-Merk Land
 of KILLYLUNG, called MID-KILLYLUNG, and the Three-Merk
 Land of NETHER KILLYLUNG, with the pertinents, comprehending
 Sandbed, and tiends of the said lands, lying within the barony and pa-
 rish of Holywood, and sheriffdom of Dumfries.

The yearly rent is 241l. on leases which commenced, as to Mid-
 Killylung at Whituesday 1769, and is current to Whituesday 1787; and
 as to Nether Killylung, commenced at Whituesday 1770, and is current
 to Whituesday 1788; out of which rent the proprietor has to pay the
 land-tax, 11s. 12d. of feu, and 1l. 16s. 8d. of stipend.

These lands are pleasantly situated on the river Nith, three miles a-
 bove the town of Dumfries, where there are delightful situations for a
 gentleman's house. The tiends are valued.

ALSO, The Lands of AUCHENKATH and NETHER-HOUSES,
 with the pertinents and tiends thereof, lying within the barony of Dal-
 swinton, parish of Kirkmahoe, and sheriffdom of Dumfries. The yearly
 rent of these lands is 45l.; out of which the proprietor pays the land-
 tax, 5s. of feu, 3l. 9s. 4d. of stipend, and 7s. of school salary.

The lands of Killylung and Netherhouses are well inclosed, and sub-
 divided, partly with belts of planting, and some parts with stone dykes,
 and the whole of the lands are plentifully supplied with excellent water.
 The soils are generally very good, and some are of the richest and best
 quality. The lands all lie convenient for lime for improvement, and near
 a market; and the lands in Kirkmahoe parish have a right to an exten-
 sive common, of which they will draw a large share upon a division.

They will be sold altogether or separately, as persons intending to
 purchase may desire.

The articles of roup and title-deeds may be seen in the hands of
 Hugh Corrie writer to the signet, Edinburgh; and a copy of the articles,
 with an inventory of the title-deeds, in the hands of Comissary Goldie
 at Dumfries; to either of whom, persons wanting further information, or
 wishing to make a private bargain, may apply.

JUDICIAL SALE

BY ADJOURNMENT.

TO be SOLD, within the Parliament or New Session-house of Edin-
 burgh, upon Tuesday the 13th day of December next, between the
 hours of four and seven afternoon.

THE FOLLOWING LANDS,

Which belonged to John Bulby Sheriff-clerk of Dumfries.

LOT I.

The Lands of AUCHINGIBBERT, and Tiends thereof, lying in
 the parish of Urr, and stewartry of Kirkcudbright.

The proven rent after all deductions is L. 122 2 9 12ths
 And the proven value of these lands, being held of
 the Crown, at 23 years purchase, is, L. 2809 3 10 8-12ths
 These lands give a qualification in the county.

LOT II.

The Lands of KEMPLETON, and Tiends thereof, lying in the pa-
 rish of Twynholm, and stewartry of Kirkcudbright.

The proven free rent is, L. 138 6 7 11-12ths
 And the proven value, being held of the Crown, at
 23 years purchase is, L. 3181 13 4 1-12ths
 These lands give a qualification in the county.

LOT III.

The Lands of WOLFILL, HERRIES' PARKS, and CARTHA-
 GENA, lying in the parish and shire of Dumfries.

The proven rent of this lot is, L. 99 1 4 6-12ths
 And the proven value, being held of the town of
 Dumfries, at 22 years purchase, is, L. 2179 10 3

LOT IV.

The Houses, Stables, Office-Houses, Cellars, and Pertinents in Dum-
 fries, commonly called the GEORGE INN, presently possessed by Mr
 Macvittie.

The proven free rent of this lot is L. 53 19 11
 And the proven value of these subjects, being held
 burgage, at 12 years purchase, is, L. 647 19 0

LOT V.

The undivided Third Part of the Lands of LITTLE MILNTOWN
 and Tiends thereof, lying in the parish of Urr, and stewartry of Kirk-
 cudbright.

The proven free rent of the third part of these lands is 8l. 2s.
 2d. 5-12ths.
 And the proven value, being held of the Crown,
 at 23 years purchase, is, L. 185 7 77-12ths

LOT VI.

The Lands of EASTFIELD, lying in the parish of Dornock, and
 shire of Dumfries.

The proven free rent of this lot is 3l.
 And the proven value, being held of a subject su-
 perior, at 22 years purchase, is, L. 66 0 0

LOT VII.

THE SUPERIORITY of the Lands of OVER and NETHER
 LEIGHTS and BURNHEAD, in the shire of Ayr, which is held
 blench of the Crown, and gives a freehold qualification.

The proven value of this Superiority is, L. 110 0 0
 The articles of sale and progress may be seen at the office of Mr Ste-
 venston, depute-clerk of session; and further information will be got by
 applying to William Dick writer to the signet, or David Newal writer
 in Dumfries.

JUDICIAL SALE OF

LANDS IN THE COUNTY OF PERTH.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

TO be SOLD by public roup, under authority of the Lords of Coun-
 cil and Session, within the Parliament or New Session House of
 Edinburgh, on Tuesday the 13th day of December 1784, betwixt the
 hours of four and eight in the afternoon, before the Lord Ordinary on
 the bills.

The Lands and Estate of KILGRASTOWN,
 which pertained to the deceased John Craigie of Kilgrastown, lying in the
 parishes of Dumbarnie, Dron, and Abernethy, and shire of Perth.

This estate consists of 1754 acres 1 rood and 32 falls, all conveni-
 ently and pleasantly situated within a few miles of the town of Perth, and
 the late proprietor beautified the place with extensive plantations and
 policies. There is a commodious Dwelling-house upon the estate, which
 is within three miles of the town of Perth; and about a quarter of a
 mile west from the Bridge of Earn; and there are a complete set of
 offices lately built thereon.

The yearly proven rent of the estate, after deduction of the feu-dut-
 ties, public burdens, and the valued teind of such parts of the estate as
 lie in the parishes of Dron and Dumbarnie, out of which last the dis-
 pends to the ministers of Dron and Dumbarnie fall to be paid,
 is, L. 1275 14 8 11-12ths

Which valued at twenty-six years purchase,
 extends to L. 33,169 3 3 10-12ths

Being the upset-price of the estate.

This estate will be exposed in whole, or in the following lots, viz.
 LOT I. The Lands of KILGRASTOWN, whereon the mansion-house
 and offices stand, and part of the lands of KINTULLO, lying within
 the parish of Dumbarnie, and upon the west side of the turnpike-road
 leading from Perth to Kinross; pleasantly situated along the south side
 of the water of Earn, immediately to the west of the bridge of Earn,
 and are all inclosed and subdivided. The tenants houses are in good
 order; the soil is of a rich quality, and the grounds are in excellent
 good condition. This part of the estate consists of 574 acres 3 roods
 and 17 falls, part whereof is agreeably laid out in woods and plan-
 tations, which are in a healthy and thriving condition.—Part of this
 lot is held of a subject superior; but their is a sufficiency of valuation to
 entitle to vote for a member of Parliament.

LOT II. That part of the Lands of Kintullo, Broomfolds, Clayton, and
 others, with the salmon fishing upon the water of Earn, lying in the
 parish of Dumbarnie, and upon the east side of the turnpike road lead-
 ing from Perth to Kinross.—These lands consist of 394 acres, 3
 roods, 34 falls, and lie pleasantly along the fourth side of the water
 of Earn, immediately to the east of the bridge of Earn, and are all in-
 closed and subdivided. The tenants houses are all in good condition,
 and the soil is of a rich quality. They hold of the Crown, and entitle
 the proprietor to vote in the election for the county of Perth.
 Part of these lands is also beautifully laid out in woods and plan-
 tations, which are in a very thriving condition.

LOT III. The Lands of Kirkpatrik, Meikle Fieldies, and Clockridge, lying
 contiguous within the parish of Dron, and consisting of 676 acres
 1 rood and 36 falls; 264 acres 3 roods and 9 falls whereof have
 been planted in the view of building a Mansion-house upon this part of
 the estate. These plantations are in high order. The lands hold of the
 Crown, and are valued in the Cess-books of the county at 265l. 10s.

LOT IV. The Lands of Hallowton, with the fishing of Gordon, upon the
 water of Earn, lying within the parish of Abernethy, and in the neigh-
 bourhood of the lands of Kirkpatrik, &c. above mentioned. This lot
 consists of 61 acres 2 roods and 21 falls; and likewise holds of a sub-
 ject superior.

These two lots of the estate last mentioned, are situated within 4
 miles of the town of Perth, and two miles of the bridge of Earn.

The upset price of each lot will be mentioned in a future advertis-
 ment.

The articles of roup are to be seen at the office of Mr John Callander,
 Depute-Clerk of Session; and the progress of writs, rentals, and plans
 of the estate, will be shown by William Lumdaine, clerk to the sig-
 net. John Rutherford, jun. writer in Perth, the present factor, will
 also shew rentals of the estate; and William Chalmers at Kilgrastown,
 will show the grounds.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

JUDICIAL SALE.

TO be SOLD by authority of the Lords of Council and Session,
 within the Parliament or New Session House of Edinburgh, upon
 Friday the 26th day of November 1784, betwixt the hours of four and
 six afternoon, before the Lord Ordinary on the bills.

The REMAINING SUBJECTS which pertained to the deceased Wil-
 liam Hay of Crawfordston writer to the signet, and afterwards to James
 Hay of Crawfordston, his son, viz.

LOT I.

The Lands and Estate of CRAWFURDSTON, including Kildon,
 and Brattleston, Cleughside and Largmore, with the mill thereof,
 tiends and pertinents, lying in the parish of Glencairn and shire of Dum-
 fries; as also, the Lands of Little Stewarton, lying in the same parish
 and shire.

The yearly rent of the estate of Crawfordston, free of all deductions,
 is proved to be 204l. 18s. 3d. 7-12ths; which the Lords have valued
 at twenty-two years purchase, or L. 4508 2 6 8-12ths

The rent of the Lands of Little-Stewarton, after
 deducting School salary and a fifth part for teind, is
 proved to be 16l. 11s. 3d. which the Lords have
 valued at 22 years purchase, or L. 364 7 6

Add the privilege of purchasing the
 free teind, being 3l. 19s. 9d. is valu-
 ed at 5 years purchase, L. 19 18 9

384 6 3

Upset price of 1st Lot,

L. 4892 8 9 8-12ths
 These lands are pleasantly situated on the water of Cairn, within 14
 miles of Dumfries, and 7 of Clovenburn limekilns; they contain upwards
 of 1600 acres of good soil, all inclosed; and there are valuable woods
 and thriving plantations on different parts of the estate. Both the estate
 of Crawfordston and Lands of Little-Stewarton are held of his Grace
 the Duke of Queensberry; the former for payment of 2l. 10d. Ster-
 ling, the latter for payment of an elufury duty. The tiends of the
 former, to which there is a complete right, are valued. The valued
 rent of both subjects together is 954 merks.—On the estate of Cra-
 wfordston is a mansion-house adjoining the Tower, which might be repair-
 ed at a small expence; and the leases of all the farms expire at Whit-
 Sunday 1786.

LOT II.

THE SUPERIORITY of an Acre of Land, part of the lands called
 Newington or Cherryhall, and Feu-duties thereof, lying near the Grange
 toll, in the parish of St Cuthbert's, and shire of Edinburgh.—This Acre
 is feued out, one half to James Howieson, and the other to John Breck-
 enrigg, for the yearly payment of 5l. Sterling each; and deducting a
 proportion of the feu-duty of 3l. payable to Mr Crichton, Mr Hay's su-
 perior, the free subfeu duties will amount to 8l. 8s. 3d. which being va-
 lued at 19 years purchase, the upset price is 159l. 16s. 9d.

But, if more agreeable to offerors, this last-mentioned subject may be
 set up in two different lots, thus:

Lot I. To consist of James Howieson's feu, upset price L. 79 18 4s
 — II. John Breckenrigg's ditto, ditto, 79 18 4s

Together,

L. 159 16 9

LOT III.

A HOUSE or LODGING, GARRET, and CELLAR, in the Meal-
 market of Edinburgh; presently possessed by Mr Alexander Macdonald
 clerk to the signet.—The proven free rent of this house is 18l. 1s. 1d.
 which being valued at ten years purchase, the upset price will be 180l.

The articles of roup, and title-deeds, may be seen by applying to
 Keith Dunbar, depute-clerk of session, or James Thomson writer to the
 signet; and plans of the estate, and copies of the articles, are also
 lodged with Thomas Goldie writer in Dumfries.